

MINUTES, BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 16, 1994, 4:00 p.m.

Members Participating:

Gerald Hess, Vice-President, Davis County Deputy Attorney

Dennis Ewing, Comptroller, Tooele County Clerk

Max Adams, Board Member, Uintah County Commissioner Kenneth Brown, Board Member, Rich County Commissioner Ty Lewis, Board Member, San Juan County Commissioner Gary Sullivan, Board Member, Beaver County Commissioner

Others Participating:

Kent Sundberg, Utah County Deputy Attorney

Gary McKean, Cache County Attorney Brent Gardner, UACIM Administrator

Sonya White, UACIM Administrative Assistant

Doug Alexander, AIMS Branch Manager

A telephonic meeting of the UACIM Board of Directors was called by the Vice-President and Vice-Chairman, Gerald Hess, to discuss urgent settlement authorization of claim number 801CAC927005.

A waiver was signed by the Board of Directors, waiving any and all notice requirements by Section 7.2 of the By-Laws of the UACIM due to the urgency of this authorization

Kent Sundberg, chairman of the Litigation Management Committee and Gary McKean, Cache County Attorney, reviewed the basis of settlement with the Board and advised that the recommendation of the LMC was to settle this claim in the amount of \$145,000.

Dennis Ewing made a motion to heed the LMC recommendation to settle claim number 801CAC927005, up to an amount of \$145,000.

A conformation letter will be sent to Gary McKean based on the Board's decision.

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UTAB 84107 Meeting was adjourned.

801-265-1331

FAX 801-265-9485



May 16, 1994

Gary McKean
Cache County Attorney
110 North 100 West
Logan, Utah 84321

RE:

Claim Number:

801CAC927005

Claimant:

Leo R. Beus, et al

Date of Loss:

June 4, 1992

Dear Gary:

Pursuant to a meeting of the Utah Association of Counties Insurance Mutual Board of Directors on this date, a motion was made, seconded and passed authorizing settlement in the above captioned claim up to \$145,000.00.

You will find attached a signed waiver notice waiving any and all notice requirements by Section 7.2 of the By-Laws of the Utah Association of Counties Insurance Mutual due to the urgency of this authorization.

Respectfully,

Gerald E. Hess

Vice-President, UACIM

Attachment

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UACIM Board of Directors

Brent Gardner, UACIM Administrator Doug Alexander, AIMS Branch Manager

Harry Bowes, UACIM Consultant

Cache County Attorney

Gary O. McKean
County Attorney

110 North 100 West Logan, Utah 84321 (801) 752-8920 FAX (801) 753-7120 James C. Jenkins
Deputy
Jeffrey "R" Burbank
Deputy
Patrick B. Nolan
Deputy

MEMORANDUM

To: UACIM Litigation Management Committee

From: Gary O. McKean Date: January 10, 1993

Subject: Coverage

As part of the scheduled discussion on coverage issues for the meeting on January 12th, I suggest that the following be addressed:

A. General

1. Coverage

(a) Pre-UACIM.

Generally, I believe the counties assume or understand that everything covered by commercial insurance to the counties at the time the UACIM policies took effect continue to be covered. I believe this needs a clear statement of confirmation or qualification as the case may be.

(b) Current Coverage.

The proposal for UACIM included a list of claims in a comparison with the existing coverages of the counties. I suggest that the list be updated and circulated to the member counties so that they might have a better grasp of current coverage. In particular, if there are claims that are not covered which ought to be and which the counties believe are, the counties need to know so that such gaps can be filled.

2. Inverse Condemnation.

Exclusion 15 under the excess liability policy (page 10) excludes but does not define "inverse condemnation". The distinction between inverse condemnation and "taking" needs to be noted and reviewed.

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B. Beus vs Cache County

1. Coverage

We are concerned about the intended retroactive effect of the policy statement adopted on November 11, 1992. This statement may have merit in general but applying it to our case retroactively is of real concern.

2. Inverse Condemnation

In addition to the issue of a correct definition of "inverse condemnation", in this case there is no inverse condemnation. The claims are based on matters of title derived from actual purchases and deeds rather than by governmental actions or regulations. The county has a property interest in the property. Therefore, there is a significant question of whether the exclusion is at all applicable.

3. Allocation of Costs

The issue of taking has not been addressed in the litigation at all as yet, other than in some settlement discussions. The case was bifurcated into a first phase and trial dealing with the quiet title claim and title defenses. The second phase of the case deals with claimed damages for trespass and may develop into a taking issue. The costs incurred thus far should not be counted under the policy statement for inverse condemnation. At the least, we need to discuss an appropriate allocation of costs between matters subject to the policy statement and those that are not.

In business or financial terms, it is understandable that the Mutual needs to be cautious with respect to its handling of claims and incurrence of costs. It is also understandable that the Mutual has not had adequate time to build its reserves and financial capabilities fully. Accordingly, decisions have to be made regarding coverages and cost-sharing. But those are business decisions and are not legal in nature.

The policy statement regarding eminent domain and inverse condemnation was basically a business-based decision and may very well be appropriate. However, it needs to be more clearly written and needs to take into account that any takings case will involve civil rights and probable claims of trespass or other tort. Legal defense will be needed and issues cannot always be easily divided for defense and therefore costs purposes.

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Douglas Alexander, Branch Manager

FROM:

Brent Gardner, UACIM Administrator

DATE:

May 31, 1994

SUBJECT:

Payment Authorized by Board for \$145,000



As approved by the UAC Insurance Mutual Board of Directors on May 16, 1994, you are authorized to make a payment to Snow, Christensen & Martineau Trust Account in the amount of \$145,000, for the purposes of payment on claim #801CAC927005 for general liability settlement.

WAIVER OF NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UTAH ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES INSURANCE MUTUAL

We, the undersigned Trustees of the Utah Association of Counties Insurance Mutual, do hereby waive any and all notice required by Section 7.2 of the By-Laws of said Utah Association of Counties Insurance Mutual, of a telephonic meeting to be held on the 16th day of May, 1994, at 4:00 p.m. The purpose of said meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Utah Association of Counties Insurance Mutual is to obtain the authorization of the Board of Trustees to settle claim number 801CAC927005, in the sum of One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$145,000.00).

DATED	this	16th	day	of	May,	1994.
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DATED this 16th day of May, 1994.

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GERALD E. HESS, Vice-President, UACIM Davis County Deputy Attorney

DIXIE THOMPSON, Secretary, UACIM Emery County Commissioner

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4021 South 700 East, Suite 180 Salt Lake City, UT 84107 Telephone: (801) 265-1331 FAX: (801) 265-9485

DATE:	May 13, 1994	FAX #:
то:	All UACIM Board of Directors (se	e following list)
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